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House Resolution 1768

By: Representative Collins of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to remove from
- 2 the Constitution provisions relating to the State Personnel Board and a State Merit System
- 3 of Personnel Administration; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or
- 4 rejection; and for other purposes.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Article IV of the Constitution is amended by revising Section III as follows:

8 "SECTION III.

STATE PERSONNEL BOARD VETERANS PREFERENCE

Paragraph I. State Personnel Board. (a) There shall be a State Personnel Board which shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The members of the board in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder of their respective terms. As each term of office expires, the Governor shall appoint a successor as herein provided. All such terms of members shall be for five years. Members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. A member of the State Personnel Board may not be employed in any other capacity in state government. A chairman shall be selected by the members of the board from its membership.

(b) The board shall provide policy direction for a State Merit System of Personnel Administration and may be vested with such additional powers and duties as provided by law. State personnel shall be selected on the basis of merit as provided by law.

Paragraph II. Paragraph I. Veterans preference. Any veteran who has served as a member of the armed forces of the United States during the period of a war or armed conflict in which any branch of the armed forces of the United States engaged, whether under United States command or otherwise, and was honorably discharged therefrom, shall be given such veterans preference in any civil service program established in state

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government as may be provided by law. Any such law must provide at least ten points to a veteran having at least a 10 percent service connected disability as rated and certified by the Veterans Administration, and all other such veterans shall be entitled to at least five points."

30 SECTION 2.

- 31 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
- 32 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
- 33 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:
- 34 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to remove from the
- Constitution provisions relating to the State Personnel Board and a State
- 36 () NO Merit System of Personnel Administration?"
- 37 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
- 38 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
- 39 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
- 40 become a part of the Constitution of this state.